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#### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

#### Filing Date Granted

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on November 20, 2001, submitted herewith is the executed Declaration of the inventor(s). Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

Attached is our Check No.  $\underline{126990}$  for  $\boxtimes \$130.00 \square \$65.00$  (entitlement to small entity status is asserted) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

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